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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application

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1. ☐ The communication filed 11/24/02 is informal/non-responsive for the reason(s) checked below and must be corrected.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN A ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO CORRECT THE INFORMALITY. EXTENSIONS OF TIME MAY BE OBTAINED UNDER THE PROVISIONS 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- a. ☐ The amendment to claim(s) _____, filed _____, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121 and is accordingly held to be non-responsive. A supplemental paper correcting the informal portions and complying with 37 CFR 1.121 is required.
- b. ☐ The paper is unsigned. A duplicate paper or ratification, properly signed, is required.
- c. ☐ The paper is signed by _____, who is not of record. A ratification or a new power of attorney with a ratification, or duplicate paper signed by a person of record, is required.
- d. ☐ The communication is presented on paper which will not provide a permanent copy. A permanent copy, or a request that a permanent copy be made by the Office at applicant's expense, is required, see M.P.E.P. 714.07.
2. ☐ In accordance with applicant's request, **THE PERIOD FOR REPLY FROM THE OFFICE ACTION DATED _____ IS EXTENDED TO RUN _____ MONTH(S).**
No further extension will be granted unless approved by the Commissioner. 37 CFR 1.136(b).
3. ☐ Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119 which papers have been made of record in the file.
4. ☒ Other: See attached reasons.

NOTICE TO APPLICANT

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 11/26/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the response contains a mere allegation of patentability, without and does not point out how the language of the claims patentably distinguishes them from the references applied in the Office action (paper 14). See 37 CAR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CAR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ana Fortuna whose telephone number is (703) 308-3857. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wanda Walker, can be reached on (703) 308-0457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9310 for regular responses, and (703)872-9311 for after finals.

Ana Fortuna

February 07, 2003


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